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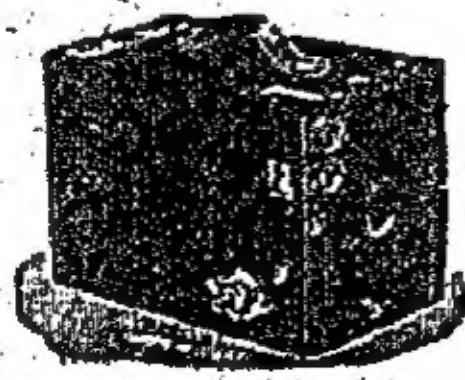
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TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong, 19th May.

SIR,—I submit for your inspection a weapon recently taken from a Filipino youth who was concerned in a fracas against a Portuguese. There is a regular feud between the Portuguese and Filipino students at St. Joseph's College. The British magistrate said to the Portuguese: "I advise you not to go to that school. Don't get near those boys." The fact of a border carrying on his person such a knife shows that the surveillance at the College is not satisfactory. Yet St. Joseph's College was solely instituted for Portuguese and Roman Catholic Chinese boys. It was in the days of the Government Central School (now Queen's College) and St. Saviour's School (now St. Joseph's College) that owing to the exceedingly better education obtainable at the former institution, many Portuguese and Catholic Chinese boys attended that school in preference to going to the St. Saviour's School. The two schools were directed respectively by the late Dr. Stewart and the late Bishop Raimondi. The latter gentleman rightly endeavoured to compete with and surpass, if possible, the energy of his colleague. In the Colony the Bishop could not find the desired teachers to rival those under Dr. Stewart; he had to take a trip to Rome, where he obtained the aid of his Holiness Pius IX. to procure a batch of Brothers of the Christian Schools to conduct the education of Portuguese and Catholic Chinese boys in order to prevent them going to a Protestant school. The St. Joseph's College was then built and handed over to the charge of the Christian Brothers. At that time and until recently (up to the time of the conquest of the Philippines by America) the Filipino element was unknown in the St. Joseph's College. A few Filipinos, at any one time more than one dozen, who came to Hongkong previous to that date to seek English education, went to the Victoria English School kept by Mr. Braidwood, successor to Mr. and Mrs. Hanlon. Since the conquest of the Philippines a large number of Filipinos came over to this colony, a good proportion of whom being people of pecuniary means. These, and others who remained in Manila, seeing the need of learning the English language, sent their boys to the St. Joseph's College and their girls to the Italian Convent; I do not blame them for doing so. But the consequence has been that the Filipinos flooded the College whilst the Portuguese boys for whom the College was created have been shut out. It should, however, have been apparent to the Brothers that the Portuguese and Filipino cannot agree, from the many palpable facts that have taken place between them in and out of schools. The Filipinos are hot-blooded and it is their nature to resort to the *uchillo* to settle their differences among themselves and also with others, no matter under what laws they are living. The Portuguese boys, on the other hand, are no cowards and will stand no nonsense from the Filipinos; hence the frequent fighting between the two races.

I remain, Sir, yours &c.
S. E. P.

LOCAL SPORT.

THE NEXT GYMKHANA.

The programme of events to be held at the Second Meeting of the Gymkhana Club, on 17th June, comprises (1st) a 1 Mile Flat Race for Hongkong subscription Gift of any season, (2nd) a Tent Pegging Competition, (3rd) the Gymkhana Challenge Cup, (4th) the Ladies' Nomination event, a "Dispatch Race," (5th) the Hurdle Race for the Challenge Cup, and (6th) a Mile-and-a-quarter Handicap.

DOWIE'S DUPED DISCIPLES.

Want of food is disillusioning disciples of the "profit" at Zion City, and the reign of Dowie is becoming a palpable fiasco.

On March 11th, according to the New York papers, hundreds of Zionites, defying the apostle's stringent ukase, which forbids the purchase of food outside the Dowie stores, flooded the stores of the neighbouring town of Wankegan. Others, lacking funds to buy food without Dowie's jurisdiction, are said to be starving.

The importation of food into Zion City has practically ceased, and two carloads of provisions stood unsold within the town, because there are no funds to meet the bill of lading. Zion City commercial paper finds no purchasers at 12 cents in the dollar, and Zion securities are going begging.

One of the highest deacons of the "Christian Catholic Church" has been openly attacked and defied by a sturdy member of the flock.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 19th at 12.5 p.m. The barometer has risen in W. Japan, and fallen again on the E. coast of China.

Pressure appears to be low over Central China. Gradients continue slight over S. China, and moderate S.E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—Light to moderate S.E. winds; showery.

PARIS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

A VERNAL CITY.

14th April.

This is really the season *par excellence* when Paris looks its best. There are so many trees and flowers to be met with in this beautiful city that as soon as the spring-time awakening sets in, the whole aspect of the French capital undergoes a change. The boulevards, the avenues, and the parks and gardens put on their verdant dress, while the air is full of fragrance, coupled with the twittering of many sparrows. Attracted by the fine weather, the spring rush of English and Americans has begun in all earnestness. To see Paris in the spring-time is the most friendly advice that anyone can give to all those anxious to behold this charming city in its loveliest form; the thousands of visitors who never fail to flock here every Easter is in itself a convincing proof that the attractions of the French capital as a pleasure resort are in no danger of losing their hold on Anglo-Saxons. The first swallows of the year have already made their welcome appearance; these first harbingers of spring are said by knowing Parisians to be the chimney swallows, which precede by a week or so the window swallows, who are not so eager to leave the shores of Africa.

MOTOR BOATS.

The Motor Boat week at Monaco—an annual event in which the Prince of Monaco takes the keenest interest—began under the most distressing of circumstances. Rough weather completely spoilt the races, while many narrow escapes took place. Had it not been for the prompt assistance rendered by various crafts, several of the intrepid competitors would have lost their lives. As it was, not a few of the motor boats became total wrecks. As soon as the weather permits the first race will be run over again.

LA DUSE.

Signora Duse continues to carry everything before her, and her present season bids fair to be a very remarkable one in the opinion of French critics. The complete success which the fair Italian actress achieved a few evenings ago as *Cosette* in that delightful "La Femme de Claude"—a character which by reason of its complexities, perturbations, and indecision has baffled every French actress who has essayed it up to now, surpassed all her admirers' expectations.

EASTER GIFTS.

In Paris, where gallantry is carried to the level of a science, such an occasion as Easter is not allowed to pass without bringing to the ladies that we admire, or pretend to admire, the most beautiful presents in the way of love offerings that our minds can imagine, or our purses can afford. Now according to Parisian *etiquette*, the only presents that a gentleman may make to a lady without compromising her fair renown consist of flowers or of confectionery. The show of Easter eggs this year promises to be much better than last. There are eggs of every size and description, from the simple eggshell, enriched with some floral design, to the elaborate affair of plush and satin. There are eggs done up in hampers packed with straw, as well as eggs arranged in cardboard boxes with separate compartments as though packed for the parcels post. One of the newest ideas is a basket-work sofa, done up with blue ribbons, and with a practicable seat stuffed with straw and eggs. Another pretty notion is a basket of scarlet straw made like the top of a pigeon-house, and trimmed with a row of red plush pom-poms. The interior is full of eggs filled with sweetmeats. Birds' nests appear in many of the designs, bedecked with the prettiest of grapes and flowers. Stuffed birds too play an important part in this year's Easter offerings, some of the groups being of a rather comic description. One reveals a bird with a sailor hat wheeling a large egg on a wheelbarrow, another propels a satin boat through a sea of straw and shavings; under the sea are "treasures of the deep" in the form of excellent sugar eggs.

WHERE EDWARD VII STAYED.

It is no longer a secret that the British Embassy here—one of the most palatial mansions in this capital—is being prepared for the reception of King Edward and Queen Alexandra who propose staying two days in Paris on their return from their Mediterranean cruise. Those who spread like wildfire has given intense satisfaction to Parisians, and last but not least the subjects of His Majesty in Paris. It may not be generally known that the British Embassy which was formerly called the Hotel Borghese, was at one time the favourite residence of the Princess Pauline, sister of Bonaparte. It was purchased by the British Government soon after the peace in 1814, and with its beautiful gardens is decidedly one of the most noble residences in this metropolis.

THE FATED CALE.

Last Sunday witnessed the centenary of the *Procession de Notre-Dame*. The fat ox was used as a borne in triumph through the principal streets of Paris, and along the Boulevards to La Villette, escorted by quite an army of butchers and cooks. The *cortege* which was a brilliant one consisted of four hundred horses and two thousand men and women. A salwart drum-major marched at its head, there being also buglers, a band, a car representing the four seasons, and finally Romulus with gilded horses bedecked with showy ribbons, standing high on a car, especially constructed to carry the enormous beast weighing 1,450 kilos, and the surrounding mummies. The day being fine, Parisians, who delight in *fetes* of this kind, thoroughly enjoyed themselves; by way of additional attractions for the million there were balloon ascents, open-air dancing, and games of every description.

HARDLY LIKELY.

It is quite probable that the French are right in concluding that the King may go as far as Tangiers, for the express purpose of advising the Sultan of Morocco to listen to the counsel, and accept the offices of France. This would completely take the "shine" out of the Kaiser's recent theatrical visit, which had for object the fall of that popular and clever French Foreign Minister, M. Delcasse. The latter is not in the odour of sanctity with the German Emperor, as most people are aware, who would very much like to see him replaced by a more easily manageable Minister. There is really no necessity for an international conference which would be charged with settling the Morocco question. Now that England and France understand each other better than they have ever done before, there is good reason for concluding that matters will arrange themselves before long and without the aid of the Kaiser, who is quite an outsider in the affair. The good faith of France is now proved so that French policy in Morocco will be able to report progress, sooner than people expect. There are still many discontented persons in France, who condemn the Anglo-French agreement, but as they do not represent the true opinion of the country, they deserve to be ignored. Everything will come right in the end.

NAVAL AMENITIES.

Elaborate preparations are being made at Brest in view of the coming visit of the British fleet. The Mayor and Municipality have voted all the money required for the grand festivities; streets are to be gaily decorated, while there will be illuminated fetes at night in the town. Banquets and balls are to be given to both officers and men of the fleet; while artists have been specially engaged in Paris to give performances at the theatre. The reception will be an exceptionally handsome one in every sense of the word.

MOTOR-BOAT RACE RESULTS.

On the motor boat races being resumed last Tuesday at Monte Carlo, Britain won a splendid victory in pouring rain, the 62 miles being won by MacDonald steering a *Napier II* in 2 hrs. 25 minutes; another Englishman, Edge, came in second. Other boats including the *Turquoise*, driven by a lady, broke down.

ELABORATE ROBBERY AT WEST POINT.

The four Chinese accused of holding up the residence of a clerk at West Street, West Point, on the 5th May, and stealing therefrom Jewellery, etc., to the value of \$80, particulars of which were recorded in a previous issue, were arraigned before Mr. F. A. Hazeland at the Police Court yesterday, when Inspector Collett conducted the case on behalf of the Police.

Mrs. Barros stated—My husband, who is a clerk in the Rope works, left early on the morning of the robbery. On the 4th May, the day prior to the robbery, two men called at my house with the avowed intention of putting up fireworks and a skylight. The third defendant is one of the men. He told me he had been sent by the Government. I asked him if he had any written instructions, but he simply said he had been sent by the contractor, and told me to put my things in order, as they would be ready to commence work next morning. They then left, and next morning about 6.45 four men came—the four prisoners in the dock—but the second defendant entered with kits of carpenter's tools. They told me to clear away my furniture. Besides myself, my adopted daughter and my godson were present. I was sitting down on a chair on the second floor when they entered, and passed through to the kitchen. I followed them, accompanied by my godson. The first defendant and my godson then began to remove the furniture. I was looking on when the first defendant seized me by the neck with both hands and another of the robbers, not present, held his hand over my mouth. The fourth defendant, with arms upraised, threatened to chop me to death. Another of the robbers caught hold of me by the hands, and removed my bangles, rings and hairpins. My bangles are valued at \$35, my rings at \$10, and my hairpins at \$15. The first defendant then released me, and the robbers forthwith turned their attention to my adopted daughter, who was standing at the door; the fourth defendant rubbing cayenne pepper in her eyes and mouth and attempting to relieve her of a gold mounted bangle, which he could not get off her wrist. While this was taking place my godson ran down stairs to the first floor and gave the alarm. Then the robbers, with the exception of the first defendant, ran away. He also endeavoured to escape, but was stopped by the man residing on the first floor, who struggled with him until Sanitary Inspector Frith, who lives next door, came to his assistance, and the men were handed over to the Police.

THE SOLUBLE TEA COMPANY, LIMITED.

The first attempt to float this company having failed, another but much less ambitious appeal for capital is now being made. The company was formed to purchase and acquire the business of the "Soluble Tea Syndicate, Limited," a company which was incorporated in Ceylon in September, 1902, and to carry on the manufacture of soluble tea both in England and Ceylon. Twenty-four thousand ordinary £1 shares are now being offered for public subscription, and the directors will proceed to allotment if ten thousand shares are taken up. It was originally thought there would be no difficulty in inducing the public to subscribe the whole of the £240,000, but at which figure the company is capitalised, but a small part of the issue has been subscribed, only a small part of the issue has been subscribed, and none of the shares have been underwritten.

A Berlin newspaper recently contained the following advertisement:—"Wanted, for a first-class restaurant, shortly to be opened, a few well-dressed gentlemen of elegant appearance and distinguished manners, to attract customers. Meals free, and commission."

JAPAN'S MILITARY FORCES.

FURTHER DRAFTS ON THE TERRITORIAL ARMY.

The Official Gazette of the 21st April published an Imperial Ordinance—No. 157—empowering the Minister of State for War to make further drafts upon the Territorial Army. As the Ordinance requires some explanation, remarks the *Japan Mail*, we shall translate it paragraph by paragraph.

Art. 1.—The first article says that "the Minister of State for War shall be competent to make the necessary regulations for re-drafting into reliefs (*hojuki*) the following classes of men serving in the Territorial Forces."

(a) Those serving in the First Territorial Army.

By this it is understood that those who have finished their service as Second Reservists (*gobutsu*) and those who, having been called out as reliefs, have finished their period of service as such.

(b) Those who have served six weeks with the colours and have been drafted immediately into the Territorial Forces.

Six weeks' training from Normal Schools, and cadets in public or private Elementary Schools. According to the Japanese military system each person is drafted into the Territorial Forces after six weeks' service with the colours. They will now be liable to be enrolled among the reliefs.

(c) Those who, having finished their period as Second Reliefs, have been drafted into the Territorial Forces.

According to the law originally in force the period of service as First Reliefs was 7 years 4 months, and that as Second Reliefs 1 year 4 months. This law was changed last year in the sense of abolishing the distinction between First Reliefs and Second Reliefs, and making the total period of liability to be called out as reliefs 12 years.

(d) Those who, being in excess of the number of conscripts required, have been drafted into the Territorial Forces.

This refers to those who, at the time of conscription, have not drawn any of the lots for service.

In time of war or emergency it shall be competent for the Minister of State for War to make, in accordance with the system of re-drafting into the reliefs, such regulations as may be necessary for re-drafting any of the Territorial Forces not enumerated in the above categories.

(This simply means that in case the prescribed categories prove to be not exhaustive, the Minister of State for War may take steps to bring the omissions into the new system.)

Art. II.—In calling out men of the Territorial Forces the Minister of State for War shall be competent to employ the ordinary enrolment system, and to conform with the provisions of the Army Enrolment Law with reference to enrolling conscripts or reliefs.

Provided that the Minister of State for War shall be competent to determine the time for exceptional enrolment and for disbanding.

The above Ordinance became operative from the day of promulgation. It will probably be difficult for lay readers to comprehend its provisions, and we may, therefore, explain briefly that it places at the disposal of the War Office for the purpose of reliefs—

(1) The First Territorial Army. A youth in Japan becomes liable for conscription at the full age of 20. Then, if called out, he serves 3 years with the colours; 4½ with the First Reserves (*gobu*) and 10½ with the Second Reserves. Then at the age of 37½ years, he is drafted into the Territorial Forces with which he serves until he is 40. There is a First Territorial Army and a Second Territorial Army, and the distinction between them need not be immediately apparent. It will be remembered that an important Ordinance was issued last year, and that it was generally spoken of as re-drafting the territorial forces liable for re-drafting into the field. That was insufficiently instructive explanation for ordinary purposes.

But the accurate fact was that the period of service prior to entering the Territorial Forces was extended by five years. The previous system had been that 3 years with the colours; 4½ with the First Reserves (*gobu*) and 5 years with the Second Reserves (*gobu*). Thereafter a man entered the First Territorial Army and his military service was virtually at an end.

In other words, supposing that he joined the colours at the age of 20—full age, not the age according to the Japanese method of counting—he passed into the First Territorial Army at 32½ years, having been borne on the active roll for 12½ years. But last year's Ordinance changed the period with the Second Reserves from 5 to 10 years, and thus, on the one hand, deferred the age at which he passed into the Territorial Forces from 32½ to 37½, and on the other, added to the available field army all men who though already in the First Territorial Army, had not completed 5 years' service with it. Now what the Ordinance just promulgated does is to extend the liability to the whole First Territorial Forces, also, so that whereas men previously ceased to be liable at the age of 37½ years, they now remain liable until the age of 40.

Another point must be noted. When conscripts are called out, a certain proportion of them are placed on the roll of "reliefs." Men on the relief list are liable to be summoned to service with the colours at any moment during a period of 12½ years. Then they pass into the First Territorial Army (at the age of 35½), and have hitherto ceased to be liable for further service in the field. But these also become serviceable in the field. So also do the six-weeks' colour service men and the men that have completed the lot, at the time of conscription as explained above.

Yet another change has been made. It relates to the Second Territorial Army; namely, that all units of that Army whose period of service would have expired on the 1st of May next or at any subsequent date, will continue to be liable for service.

Here it is necessary to explain the difference between the First and the Second Territorial Armies. The First consists of all that have served with the colours and with the Reserves, as well as of all that have been actually called out as Reliefs. The Second consists of all other classes, as six-weeks' service men; men that have been borne on the roll of reliefs for 12½ years but have not been actually called out; men that have escaped the lot at the time of conscription and so on.

It is understood that the power vested in the Minister of War by this Ordinance will not be immediately exercised, and, indeed, may not be exercised at all; the measure is merely precautionary. What the Ordinance effects immediately is to remove any arbitrary element from the method of summoning men from the Territorial Army to the colours.

The plan hitherto pursued has been to divide the total number of men into two unequal groups, and to select one arbitrarily. But the second Article of the Ordinance directs that the Minister shall follow the regular system applicable in the army under normal circumstances.

It is not permissible to discuss here what the numerical potentiality of the Japanese field army.

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The Antwerp Chamber of Commerce has arrived at the most important decision of the past twenty years, during which time the central government and the city have been at loggerheads over projects for enlarging the port. The Chamber has voted unanimously a resolution completely favouring the Government's gigantic project for the enlargement of the port. The scheme, the success of which is now assured, will cost nearly £10,000,000.

The entire country is enthusiastic over the project, which will make Antwerp the greatest port of the world in area. The works will occupy ten years in completion.

Antwerp is preparing with great confidence and boldness for an enormous future increase of its trade. A clear idea as to the position and progress of the prosperous Scheldt town among the shipping centres of Europe can be obtained from some figures printed among the conclusions of the Royal Commission on the Port of London.

They show by the totals of tonnage entered the advance in trade during the period from 1890 to 1899 at a number of the principal British and Continental commercial harbours. The following are the most instructive:

	1890.	1899.	Inc.
Tons entered.			per cent.
London.	13,141,455.	15,383,238.	17
Liverpool.	8,408,378.	9,468,115.	13
Hamburg.	5,202,835.	7,765,950.	49
Antwerp.	4,517,498.	6,842,163.	51
Rotterdam.	2,918,425.	6,323,072.	116

Even more eloquent is the following table, displaying the strides forward made by Antwerp during each decade of the second half of last century:

	Ton entered.
1850	350,000
1860	500,000
1870	1,400,000
1880	2,700,000
1890	4,500,000
1899	6,800,000

That a large portion of the entire output of the shipping trade, which was once the monopoly of the Thames, was passing to the Port of Belgium and Dutch ports has been known for many years, and witnesses before the Royal Commission directed particular attention to the increase which was being made in the department of the Scheldt by Hamburg and Antwerp. The Belgian port in one important detail bears a strong resemblance to London; it is situated sixty miles from the mouth of the Scheldt, and is therefore about as far from the open sea as its great English rival. Its river quays, including a stretch under construction, have a length of 17,500 ft. There are eight docks and three basins, with a total area of 170 acres and a water frontage of 350 ft. For some time this accommodation has been very inadequate. A special report laid before the Port of London Commission stated that the berths provided numbered ninety-eight, and that as many as forty vessels were usually waiting for positions. Other deficiencies of which complaint has been made are the small docks, of which only one could take in six days' work. The controversy with regard to the extension of the port is of long standing.

The Government plan was to make a cutting, known as the Grand Coupure, across a bend of the Scheldt, and to utilise one bank of the new channel for berths. On the other hand, the municipal authorities, who fear this diversion might injure the character of the river, proposed that the chord of the loop should be excavated as a dock, with a length of 1,500 ft. and a water surface of 1,500,000 sq. ft. The latter plan would be a cure would be about 800 acres, or nearly double the area of the entire system controlled by the London and India Dock Company.

THE MONEY BATTLE.

In the March number of the *Century* is an article on the "Outlook for Reform in Russia." The writer has the good fortune to interview Mr. Witte on the present situation. One sentence is significant:—"The Japanese cannot resist our finances. I have nothing to say of the other two factors—the army and navy. Perhaps the Japanese can carry on the war one and a-half, two, or at the most two and a-half years. Considering the finances alone, we can keep it up for four years. Of the three factors being left out of account, the Japanese can, therefore, be brought to sue for peace by their financial ruin."

Coming from so able and representative a man as Mr. Witte, the above is ominous. It shows where lies the hope of Russia. Few even of their most optimistic statesmen probably build largely on the Baltic fleet. But may they not wear out their antagonists? In the Russian war game, on, and though the Russians continue to be defeated, yet at last, Japan, unable, from financial distress, to put her soldiers in the field, the war shall end with a crowning triumph for the nation that has the 1st dollar and the last man?

That is the point. Wholesale murder according to military critics is being permitted, not because Russia has even a fighting chance of winning in the field, but because she hopes to come down with trumps when her antagonist has played her last card.

It is the hope of the gambler, and unfortunately all history is against her. Let anyone who doubts this read Macaulay's brilliant account of how the debt of Great Britain grew from millions, which were to be too great a burden for the British people, to hundreds of millions which that people came to carry with ease.

It is an old statement of facts, about the man behind the gun. What about the man behind the dollar? Where is the man wise enough or foolish enough to get a limit to the amount of debt which the Japanese people can carry? And last, was any nation ever obliged to sue for peace that had won victories both on land and sea such as Japan has during the short period this war has run? Two men Mr. Witte has forgotten—the Russian peasant who pays for defeats, and the Japanese who is winning victories and fighting for Fatherland.—N.O. Daily News.



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YUK ON S.S. CO., LTD.,
216, Wing Lok Street.
Hongkong, 18th May, 1905. [1237]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction,
TO-DAY (SATURDAY),
the 20th May, 1905, at 2.30 P.M., at his SALES ROOMS, Queen's Road,
A FINE ASSORTMENT OF
JAPANESE CURIOS,
Comprising—
OLD SATSUMA FINE CLOISONNE, BRONZES, IVORIES, PANELS, AND ORNAMENTS, WATER-COLOUR PICTURES, AND HANDSOME SILK EMBROIDERED SCREENS, &c., &c.
TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.
V. I. RENEDIOS,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 19th May, 1905. [1250]

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction,
WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY,
the 24th and 25th May, 1905, at 10 A.M., each day, at H. M. NAVAL YARD,
SUNDRY NAVAL VICTUALLING, OBSOLETE AND CONDEMNED STORES,
Comprising—
FIXED OVERHANGING SHEERS, complete with CHAINS AND BLOCKS, and capable of lifting 30 tons—Test load 30 tons, ELECTRIC CABLE, MACHINE VENTILATING, BRASS, COPPER, IRON, MANGANESE, BRONZE, PAPER, STUFF, CANVAS, FURNITURE, BLANKETS, PROVISIONS, IMPLEMENTS, &c.
Catalogues will be issued.
TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Government Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 18th May, 1905. [1236]

PUBLIC AUCTION.
IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.
ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.
Action No. 85 of 1905.
TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION
By Order of the Supreme Court of Hongkong,
VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY,
situate at
Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong,
on
THURSDAY,
the 25th day of May, 1905, at 3 o'clock P.M., at Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH'S SALES ROOMS, Des Vaux Road Central.
All that Right of Equity of Redemption of and in all those portions of Marine Lot No. 225 which are registered in the Land Office as Subsections No. 3, 4, 5 and 6 of Section D of Marine Lot No. 225, and which said pieces or parcels of ground contain by admeasurement in the whole 5,742 square feet and are more particularly delineated on the plan thereof annexed to an Indenture of Assignment dated the 31st December, 1887, and registered in the Land Office by Memorial No. 16673 with the Dwelling Houses known as Nos. 3, 5, 7 and 9 Tang Lok Lane and Nos. 10, 12, 14 and 16 New Market Street, Victoria, aforesaid, and are held from the Crown for the Residue of a term of nine hundred and ninety-nine years granted by a Crown Lease dated the 14th day of December, 1872. Annual proportion of Crown Rent, \$100.31.
For further Particulars and Conditions of Sale apply to
Messrs. JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER, Solicitors for the Plaintiffs in the above action, who have the conduct of the said Sale,
or to
Messrs. EWENS and HARBSTON, Solicitors for the Defendant Li Tsang Pak, otherwise known as Li Po Lun, the Defendant in the said Action.
Dated the 13th day of May, 1905. [1204]

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE
PUBLIC AUCTION.
MESSRS. HUGHES & HOUGH have been instructed to sell by Public Auction
WEDNESDAY,
the 31st May, 1905, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at their Office No. 8, Des Vaux Road (Corner of Ice House Street),
THE VERY VALUABLE RECLAMATION PROPERTY,
being Subsections 3, 4, 5 and 6 of Section D of the Reclamation to Marine Lot No. 225, in ONE LOT.
This Lot comprises Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8 Connaught Road West, and Nos. 9, 11, 13 & 15 New Market Street, Victoria, Hongkong.
The property is held under the usual Reclamation Agreement at the annual Crown Rent of \$146. Area about 7,942 Square Feet.
Particulars and Conditions of sale may be had from the Vendor's Solicitors,
Messrs. DEACON, LOOKER & DEACON,
1, Des Vaux Road.
And also of the Auctioneers,
Hongkong, 16th May, 1905. [1214]

PUBLIC AUCTION.
MESSRS. HUGHES & HOUGH have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on
MONDAY,
the 12th day of June, 1905, at 3 P.M., at their SALES ROOMS,
The following VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY situate at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, viz—
All that piece or parcel of ground situate at Victoria aforesaid registered in the Land Office as Landed Lot No. 689 B, area 37,935 square feet or thereabouts; Term 997 years; Annual Crown Rent \$74.40; together with the Messuage thereon known as "Greenmount" Bosham Road, Victoria aforesaid.
For further Particulars and Conditions of Sale apply to
Messrs. JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER, Vendor's Solicitors
or
Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 15th May, 1905. [1205]

THE AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY
DR. M. H. CHAUN,
37, Des Vaux Road CENTRAL, HONGKONG
From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.
Hongkong, 3rd June, 1904.

AUCTION

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received instructions from Mrs. MATHER, to Sell by Public Auction,
on
SATURDAY AND MONDAY,
the 27th and 28th May, 1905, commencing each day at 2 P.M. at Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7, PEDDER'S HILL,
THE WHOLE OF HER
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
(of Hall and Holts, Marlborough, Lane, Crawford & Co., and English Makes).
Comprising—
UPHOLSTERED DRAWING-ROOM SUITES, BOOKCASES, OVERMANTELS with BEVELLED MIRROR, PICTURES, OCCASIONAL TABLES, PICTURES, ORNAMENTS, &c., &c.;
SALINE DINING TABLES, DINING CHAIRS, TEAK SIDEBOARD with BEVELLED MIRROR, DINNER WAGGONS, DINNER SETS, GLASS and CROCKERY WARE, CUTLERY, &c., &c.;
BRASS MOUNTED BED STEADS (Single and Double), WAIDROBES with BEVELLED MIRROR, DRESSING TABLES with BEVELLED MIRROR, MARBLE TOP WASHSTANDS, TOILET SETS, UPHOLSTERED CHAIRS, &c., &c.;
PANTRY, BATHROOM and KITCHEN REQUISITES;
Also
2 COTTAGE PIANOS;
And
A Quantity of POTS and PLANTS.
Terms:—As Customary.
On View from Thursday, the 25th May, 1905, at 2 P.M.
GEO. P. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 19th May, 1905. [1251]

PUBLIC COMPANIES
A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTIETH ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company (since its registration) will be held at the OFFICES of the COMPANY, in Alexandra Buildings, on SATURDAY, the 27th instant, at half-past eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1904.
THE REGISTER of SHARES will be CLOSED from Monday, the 22nd instant, to Monday, the 29th instant, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares will be registered.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 15th May, 1905. [1203]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
LOST.
THE CERTIFICATES of 760 and 360 SHARES standing in the Registrar of the Company in the names of ANTONIO OSORIO and TAM BON CHIU have been LOST, viz—
In the name of ANTONIO OSORIO:—
Scrip No. 330/382, 2,820/2603 in scrip of 25 " 75 Shares.
" 383 " 425/463 " 25 " 25 " 384/387 " 2,820/2603 in scrip of 25 " 75 " 387 " 425/463 " 25 " 25 " 389/391 " 3,420/3500 in scrip of 25 " 75 " 392 " 450/497 " 25 " 25 " 755 " 5821/5830 " 10 " 10 " 756/757 " 5831/5830 in scrip of 25 " 50 " 317/329 " 1,905/1,945 in scrip of 25 " 100 " 321/324 " 1,905/1,905 in scrip of 25 " 100 " 325/328 " 1,915/1,935 in scrip of 50 " 200 " 760 Shares.
In the name of TAM BON CHIU:—
Scrip No. 329/330, 1,955/1,975 in scrip of 25 " 200 Shares.
" 337 " 1,975/1,978 " 40 " 40 " 662 " 2,350/2,365 " 100 " 20 " 663 " 2,366/2,382 " 20 " 360 Shares.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Duplicate Certificates for the said 1,120 Shares will be issued one month hence, and that the Original Certificates unless produced within that period will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 4th May, 1905. [1138]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE
PENSION FRANCAISE AND RESTAURANT.
TENU PAR MME. I. GUIOU.
FIRST-CLASS COOKING BY A FRENCH COOK.
Terms: \$3.50 per day.
Reduced Terms for an Extended Stay.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1905. [1002]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.
MRS. GILLANDERS
"GLENWOOD,"
27, CAINE ROAD.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1904. [761]

"TANG YUEN."
BOARDING ESTABLISHMENT.
European Supervision. Excellent Cuisine and Accommodation.
Apply—
MANAGERESS,
Macdonnell Road
or
FAIRALL & CO., Queen's Road
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1905. [51]

COMFORTABLY FURNISHED
ROOMS, with Board.
Apply to Mrs. MATHER,
2, Pedder's Hill.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1905.

NOTICE TO KOWLOON RESIDENTS
EXTRA COPIES of Daily Press are on sale daily at Mr. H. RUTTON'S KOWLOON STORE, No. 36, Fifth Road, and Mr. AH YAU'S FERRY WHARF STALL. Price 15 cents per copy cash.
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1903.

TO LET

TO LET.
No. 12, KNUXTFORD TERRACE, KOWLOON.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 5th May, 1905. [1143]

TO LET.
IMMEDIATE POSSESSION, No. 9, PEDDER'S HILL.
Apply to—
MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA.
Hongkong, 19th May, 1905. [1247]

TO LET.
SMALL GODOWN, about 1,600 square ft. Queen's Road Central.
Apply—
H. Y.
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 19th May, 1905. [1248]

TO LET.
TWO FURNISHED ROOMS with Board in a private family, for Two Gentlemen. Good and healthy position.
Apply to—
BOX 700,
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 12th May, 1905. [1190]

TO LET.
Nos. 2, 5, 6, BARROW TERRACE, DURBAN HOUSE, KOWLOON. THREE NEW HOUSES, CASTLE ROAD, HONGKONG.
Apply to—
SAM WANG CO., LD.,
81, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 18th May, 1905. [1234]

TO LET.
DUNHEVED 33, Robinson Road.
Apply to—
HO U. MING,
81, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 11th April, 1905. [953]

TO LET.
ONE or TWO ROOMS and Bath-rooms, Furnished or Unfurnished, with or without Board. Central district.
Apply—
Cars of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 17th May, 1905. [1224]

TO LET.
TWO ROOMS, No. 54, CAINE ROAD.
Apply—
X.
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 16th May, 1905. [1211]

TO LET.
No. 2, SEYMOUR TERRACE. Fully Furnished. Healthy locality. With immediate possession.
Apply to—
S. A. SETH.
Hongkong, 16th May, 1905. [1212]

TO LET.
A LARGE and SPACIOUS ROOM or OFFICE on the First Floor of 34, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. (Opposite the Post Office).
Apply to—
WONG CHU SANG,
Care of Yee Sang Fat.
Hongkong, 11th May, 1905. [1183]

TO LET.
NEW "KINGSCLERE" with Stables, entrances in both Kennedy and Macdonnell Roads.
For full particulars, apply to—
LINSTED & DAVIS,
Alexandra Buildings, 3rd Floor.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1905. [478]

TO LET.
"THE OAK," No. 33, CONDUIT ROAD, Six Roomed House, with Tennis Court.
Apply to—
C. F. DE CARVALHO,
Care of H. and S. Bank.
Hongkong, 10th May, 1905. [1179]

TO LET.
EYRIE, Unfurnished. Newly repaired, Painted and Colourwashed, let Row. No. 4, BELLIOS TERRACE, let Row. No. 21, " " 3rd Row. No. 18, " " 3rd Row. No. 30, " " 3rd Row. No. 7, BEACONSFIELD ARCADE, Top Floor.
BISHOP'S LODGE SOUTH (Furnished), from 23rd June for 2 or 3 months. "WESTWARD HO" Bonham Road, Ground Floor.
No. 1, DES VEAUX VILLAS, BUNGALOW (Furnished), at New Territory, Kowloon, 4 Rooms, low rental.
2nd FLOOR in Central position, containing Four Large Rooms, Anteroom and Lavatory, &c., with use of Electric Lift. Well suited for Offices.
Apply to—
LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
3rd Floor, Alexandra Buildings,
Hongkong, 26th April, 1905. [190]

TO LET.
No. 11, GAGE STREET, Eight Rooms, from 1st June, 1905.
Apply to—
E. A. DE CARVALHO,
14, Arbathnot Road.
Hongkong, 13th May, 1905. [1195]

TO LET UNFURNISHED—AT THE PEAK.
WITH Immediate Entry. LEE MUN, BARKER ROAD, containing 2 Reception Rooms, 4 Good Bedrooms, Excellent Bathrooms and Servants' Quarters. The House is comparatively new and in excellent repair, splendid view of the Harbour and very convenient for Tramway station at Plantation Road.
Apply to—
RUSSO-CHINESE BANK.
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1905. [1130]

TO LET.
SUITABLE for Offices, TWO ROOMS in Prince's Building.
Apply to—
LAUTS, WEGENER & CO.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1905.

TO LET

TO LET.
No. 1, RIFON TERRACE.
FLATS in MORRISON TERRACE, facing the Polo Ground.
OFFICES in course of erection, CONNAUGHT ROAD (near BLAKE PIER).
GODOWNS; PRAYA EAST.
A BUILDING at Causeway Bay, at present in occupation of the Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 29th June, 1904. [181]

TO LET.
WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION
"FOREST LODGE" Caine Road.
Apply to—
H. N. MODY.
Hongkong, 2nd May 1905. [1114]

TO LET.
Nos. 74, CAINE ROAD.
GODOWNS Nos. 34a, 34b, 34c, Praya East. No. 2, MACDONNELL ROAD. Possession on 1st June, 1905.
Apply to—
COMPRADORE'S DEPARTMENT,
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
Hongkong, 4th May, 1905. [84]

TO LET.
OFFICES in "Hotel Mansions," facing New Post Office and Hongkong Hotel.
Apply to—
HENRY HUMPHREYS,
Alexandra Buildings.
Hongkong, 7th January, 1905. [180]

TO LET.
NEW EUROPEAN HOUSES in Cameron and Des Vaux Roads, Kowloon. Electrical Fittings for Lights, &c. Possession about 1st June next.
Apply to—
CHINA MERCHANTS STEAM NAVIGATION CO.,
15 & 16, Connaught Road, Praya W.
Hongkong, 19th April, 1905. [1039]

TO LET.
DWELLING HOUSES on Pedder's Hill, occupation from the 1st June.
For Further Particulars, apply to—
DAVID HASSON & CO., LD.
Hongkong, 6th April, 1905. [907]

TO LET.
A DWELLING HOUSE, No. 10, KENNEDY ROAD, 2 Storeys with Garden and Outhouses. Immediate Possession.
For Particulars, apply to—
MOK KOON YUK,
Comptroller Office, Butterfield & Swire.
Hongkong, 17th May, 1905. [1225]

TO BE SOLD OR LET.
HOTEL AMERICA, Wyndham Street. Good Rooms, well furnished.
Apply—
H. PRICE & CO.,
12, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, 13th May, 1905. [1198]

TO LET.
TWO FIRST-CLASS SHOPS, European Style, in Kowloon. Possession on or about 31st August, 1905. Moderate Rentals.
Apply to—
HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LD.
Hongkong, 27th June, 1904. [869]

TO LET.
IN Hotel Mansions "THREE OFFICES" commanding position on Front.
Apply—
M. J. D. STEPHENS, Solicitor,
18 Bank Buildings.
Hongkong, 23rd March, 1905. [1845]

TO LET.
MEIRION No. 2 THE PEAK. From the 1st June, 1905.
Apply to—
E. JONES HUGHES.
Hongkong, 9th May, 1905. [1166]

TO LET.
FOUR or FIVE OFFICE ROOMS on First Floor of "Hotel Mansions" facing the New Post Office and Hongkong Hotel.
Apply—
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 8th March, 1905. [675]

TO LET.
OFFICE ROOMS at Nos. 12 & 14, Queen's Road Central (Corner House); also GODOWNS at Bank. Can be let separately or wholly. Rent moderate, cheaper if the whole is taken on a long lease.
SEVEN EUROPEAN HOUSES, late F. Blackhead & Co. and Shewan, Tomes & Co.'s Offices. Ground Floors and Top Floors with Godowns can be let separately on leases.
Apply to—
CHUNG SHUN KOO,
12 & 14, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 24th December, 1904. [192]

AUTOMATIC MAUSER PISTOLS.
CALIBRE 7.63 mm.
WITH CHAMBER for 10 CARTRIDGES FIRING 10 SHOTS in 2 SECONDS.
SIEMSEN & CO.
Hongkong, 3rd October, 1900.

CARTRIDGES.
IMPORTED EVERY MONTH, THEREFORE ALWAYS FRESH
ELEY'S, SCHULTZ'S, AMBERITE and KYNOK'S SPORTING CARTRIDGES 8, 10, 12, 16, and 20 BORE, and NEWCASTLE CHILLED SHOT in all Sizes, Nos. 10 to 8860. AIR GUNS and AMMUNITION in Variety.
WM. SCHMIDT & CO.
Hongkong, 28th November, 1902. [100]

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

CHUYEN, Chinese steamer, 19th May, from Canton.
 CUCAN, British str., 2852, H. W. Kenrick, 19th May, from Shanghai 18th May. Mails and General. P. & O. S. N. Co.
 GLOVE, British battleship, 19th May, from Mits. Bay.
 HAINUN, British str., 536, A. J. Robson, 19th May, from Amoy and Swatow 18th May. General. P. & O. S. N. Co.
 HOGUE, British cruiser, 19th May, from Mits. Bay.
 LAUREL, British str., 1351, J. B. Jackson, 19th May, from Saigon 18th May. Rice and Mail. Chinese.
 LEONARD, German str., 1245, Kalkofen, 18th May, from Chinkiang 13th May. Rice, Oil, and Fruit. Siemens & Co.
 PUNEIA, British str., 2240, Packham, 19th May, from Singapore 14th May. General. Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 TAIKING, British str., 1850, Outerbridge, 19th May, from Manila 16th May. General. Butterfield & Swire.
 WESTERN HALL, British str., 2068, Swanton, 18th May, from Mits. Bay 12th May. Coal. Dedwell & Co.
 WUHU, British str., 1228, E. Richards, 19th May, from Wuhu 12th May. General. Butterfield & Swire.

CLEARANCE.

AT THE HARBOR MASTER'S OFFICE.
 19th May.
 Broad, Norwegian str., for Kolo.
 Helles, German str., for Shanghai.
 Hongkong, French str., for Peking.
 Laertes, British str., for Singapore.
 Red, British str., for Manila.
 Wuhu, British str., for Canton.

DEPARTURES.

BRISGAVIA, German str., for Shanghai.
 CHUYEN, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
 DREWENT, British str., for Hongkong.
 HAINUN, British str., for Amoy and Swatow.
 LEONARD, German str., for Mits. Bay.
 SHANGHAI, British str., for Shanghai.
 TOLSON, German str., for Saigon.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. Laertes reports: Dense fog throughout.
 The British str. Puna reports: Fine weather and smooth sea.
 The British str. Taming reports: Light winds and fine weather throughout.
 The British str. Laertes reports: Weather fine and clear throughout voyage, light S.E. winds.
 The British str. Hainun reports: Moderate N.E. to S.E. winds and calm. Bazy throughout, moderate to calm sea.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

ABERDEEN DOCK—Taming.
 HOWSON DOCK—Maldade, Heathburn, Hainun, Gulf of Venice, Brumhilde, Athenian, Jacob Diederichsen.
 COMMERCIAL DOCK—Doric.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
 FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.
 THE Company's Steamship.

"HAINUN."

Captain Robson, will be despatched for the above ports TO-DAY, 20th inst., at 4 p.m.
 For Freight or Passage apply to DOUGLAS LARSEN & CO., General Managers.
 Hongkong, 18th May, 1905. 1242

BRITISH-INDIA STEAM-NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY, STRAITS AND RANGOON.
 THE Company's Steamship.

"PUNEIA."

Captain J. B. Pearson, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 23rd inst., at DAY-LIGHT.
 For Freight or Passage apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Agents.
 Hongkong, 17th May, 1905. 1232

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSSEILLES, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS.

THE Steamship
 "ERNEST SIMONS"
 Captain Bourdon, will be despatched for MARSSEILLES on TUESDAY, the 10th May, at 1 p.m.
 Passage tickets and through Bills of Lading issued for above ports.
 Cargo also booked for principal places in Europe.
 Next sailings will be as follows:
 S.S. "POLYNESIE" ... 13th June.
 S.S. "CALEDONNIEN" ... 27th June.
 S.S. "OCEANIE" ... 11th July.
 G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.
 Hongkong, 18th May, 1905. 1242

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
 (Call at Port Darwin and Queensland Ports, and taking through cargo to Adelaide, New Zealand, Tasmania, &c.)

THE Steamship

"EASTERN."
 Captain Ellis, will be despatched for the above ports on SATURDAY, the 10th June, at Noon.
 This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.
 "It is Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light."
 A duly qualified Surgeon and Stewardess are carried.
 N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the Steamer of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.
 Hongkong, 9th May, 1905. 1171

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked K, nearest Hongkong H, midway between Hongkong and Kowloon M, and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf K.W., together with the number denoting the section.

Sections. 1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG.	DEPART	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL.	CHUSAN	Brit. str.	—	H. W. Kenrick, R.N.E.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at Noon.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP.	HYSON	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 4th July.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP.	GLAUCUS	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 15th July.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.	DARDANUS	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 23rd inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.	CALCHAS	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 6th June.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.	KINTUCK	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th June.
MARSSEILLES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL.	BRENET SIMONS	Fr. str.	—	Bourdon	MELCHERS & CO.	On 30th inst., at 1 p.m.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL.	ROON	Ger. str.	—	9. Meiners	MELCHERS & CO.	On 24th inst., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SENEGAMBIA	Ger. str.	—	Joburg	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 28th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	C. FERD. LAEISE	Ger. str.	—	von Hoff	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 12th June.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	BRISGAVIA	Ger. str.	—	Russ	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 28th June.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SITHONIA	Ger. str.	—	Hildebrandt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 12th July.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	ACILIA	Ger. str.	—	Albers	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 28th July.
TRIPOLI, &c. VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	MARIA VALERIE	Aus. str.	—	Barberovich	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	On 1st June, P.M.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL.	DEUCALION	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL.	PRIAM	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th July.
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PORTLAND, OREGON VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	LAERTES	Brit. str.	—	Bahle	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED.	On 23rd inst., at Daylight.
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TAMUI VIA SWATOW & AMOY	FRITHJOF	Ger. str.	—	E. A. Hordal	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 28th inst., at 8 a.m.
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WITH NOTES BY THE AUTHOR.

(Continued from last Saturday).

"True, true, my obedient son; but circumstances advise the change," replied the father, tapping him playfully on the shoulder with his fan, and significantly holding before him the Taoist card. "For many years this neighbourhood has been blessed with a genial climate," he continued, speaking metaphorically, "and alluding to the new official, 'but of late a cold blast from the frozen regions of the north has swept upon it. Even the oak, my son, sheds its bright foliage before the wintry breeze—I have done likewise. It is policy."

Cheng quickly saw the point of the simile and looked thoughtfully and somewhat ruefully down at his own "bright foliage" which consisted of a long yellow robe of broad silk and a pale blue jacket; but in place of the skull-cap he wore a conical-shaped dress-hat surmounted by a gold knob or button, as it is called. Without saying another word he left the apartment, but soon reappeared for the head-dress, that worn by his parent, who regarded him with approval. Cheng was a dutiful and promising son of whom his father was justly proud; for, although so young, he had already gained distinction as a scholar, having recently taken his first degree of Sui-tai (Budding Genius), a distinction which raised him above the commoners, and which only nineteen others, all older than himself, out of three thousand had gained. He had also won the gold-medal and official cap which made his head-dress somewhat conspicuous, particularly for one of his years; and he was greatly respected by the people of Lien who regarded him as a rising star. Being now eligible to compete at the triennial examination, held in the provincial capital, for the second degree of Chou-jin (Promoted Man), he was studying hard at home under a tutor famed for his learning.

As it happened, New Year's morning Cheng had already paid his respects to his parents by prostrating himself at their feet while blessing and thanking them for their wise counsel and training, and wishing them long life, domestic bliss and prosperity. The servants of the establishment now came in, one at a time, to do likewise. This ceremony was performed with great respect and solemnity by kneeling, or kneeling upon the floor and bowing until their heads touched the ground. At the same time expressing their indebtedness and thanks to their employer, and wishing him and his family joy and good fortune during the ensuing year. Responding most affably, the worthy master and his son presented each with a red paper parcel containing a liberal gratuity in silver. After further reverential expressions of gratitude and goodwill, these healthy-looking retainers departed with smiling faces to repeat the operation in the presence of the female members of the family, and afterwards to call on the household at their respective homes. A few remaining duties to perform the most necessary household duties until relieved by others, and so on to the end of the festive season.

When they had all retired, and the father and son were again alone, the former mechanically glanced at the Taoist card, which he still held in his hand, and pushing his jade-stone bangles up his arm, until they tightened upon it, he commenced fanning himself vigorously. "This questionable though polite token of benignity carries no such unmeaning, my son, as it necessitates our paying a formal call on His Excellency Shun Ming, who seems desirous of giving me the opportunity of making his acquaintance," he said, laying the paper aside and adding drily, "I am deeply conscious of the honour and obligation he confers upon me, his humble subject, but I do most devoutly petition the gods that he will not also condescend to extend his friendship to my purse, or I fear he might make such a vast slit in the lining that it would be irreparable. But come, true gold fears no fire; we will go forth together and pay our respects to the community."

Leaving the apartment, they proceeded towards the entrance where a *dan-chi* awaited them. These they dispensed with, however, for the simple reason that, being well known and much respected, they were likely to have to acknowledge some existing relations on the way that it would have obliged them to repeatedly stop the chair and get out; as in China it would be positively barbarous to remain seated in a conveyance when greeting anyone. So they sauntered along the road, each carrying a well-filled wad of visiting cards, which are composed of oblong-shaped pieces of red paper between six and seven inches by three or four, in size, with the name inscribed in large black characters. Every minute or so they pause to exchange elaborate civilities with some passing friend or acquaintance by clasping the hands together and moving them up and down between the forehead and knees at the same time making profound obeisances and saying, "Gong-he far choi! Gong-he far choi!" (Good luck, get rich! Good luck, get rich!) which is essentially a New Year greeting.

The first call they made was upon Mr. Hung Fong's brother, who kept a large medicinal shop, and whose usual name was Hung Lung. The older son was standing outside the front-door letting off strings of fire-crackers, while a little brother assiduously grubbed among the smoking debris for the few that missed fire. Catching sight of their uncle and cousin, they both came forward and "chin-chinned" in approved "celestial" style, ushering them into the house where they were met by the father, a good natured, portly person of medium height and fortune.

"Gong-he far choi! gong-he far choi! good brother, yours is an auspicious first-foot," he said, making the usual obeisances and showing them into the reception-room, where a further ceremony was enacted, the young men reverently prostrating themselves before their uncles who assisted them to rise and bestowed upon them their blessings, finally exhorting them to grow in filial piety, virtue and industry.

The Chinese are very particular in the observance of their punctilious forms of etiquette, and even the children imitate the very looks and gestures of their sires. The little son of Han is a perfect chip of the old block; his dress is the exact cut, *pro rata* portions, of his father's, and like him he maintains an aspect of dignified composure in company, taking his pleasure gravely, yet enjoying it thoroughly. You see this little fellow clasping his small hands together and making his salutations with as much solemnity and *biennance* as if the entire reputation of his family rested upon his correct performance of these ceremonies.

Before seating himself, Mr. Hung Fong gave each of his nephews a small red paper

packet containing a few cash and some silver—this being a seasonal and auspicious offering—telling them to buy sweets and crack-nuts. His brother did likewise to Cheng, who was quite venerated by his less learned relatives; and then a serving lad brought in tea and a liqueur-wine tray of sweetmeats, and he also received a gift from the visitors. The elderly gentlemen now sat down, and opened a conversation by inquiring into one another's financial affairs, for in China all subsidiary matters commence afresh with the New Year, when every debt is paid and all accounts "squared." The young people maintained a respectful silence, as is customary in the presence of elders, but did ample justice to the sugar-plums, dried-dates and other dainties over which they now and again contrived to express their sentiments in whispers.

After exchanging notes and making a few comments upon the past year, the discourse of these two worthy citizens reverted to the all important topic of the hour—the new Taoist of Lien. Both men exchanged significant glances and expressed grave fears for the future welfare of the city and its inhabitants, agreeing that the outlook was, from this one cause, far gloomier than it had been for many a long day. After thus spending nearly an hour, Mr. Hung Fong and his son continued their round of visits, which took them to the homes of all sorts and conditions of people, for the rich and poor alike received the same courteous attention from the good merchant; indeed the latter generally had substantial cause to feel grateful, for he made a rule of being at this season his less fortunate brethren; and his poor relatives always looked forward with much pleasure to his coming. From his brother's house he went to that of his cousin, one Hung Hui, who was in very humble circumstances; chiefly owing, however, to an over indulgence in the opium-pipe, nearly all his property and even a large portion of his household goods having gone in smoke. This man was particularly jealous of his thriftiness and his cousin, but being covetous and crafty, he was weak-minded, he was careful to hide his antagonistic feelings and gladly anticipated the opportune moment for his annual visit, by which he always benefited considerably.

The way to Hung Hui's unpretentious residence led through an intricate maze of back streets and narrow, noisome alleys, inhabited by itinerant traders, coolies, and a peculiar class of people, who without being beggars, precariously existed upon what others throw away—also by mangy-looking dogs which growled and barked respectfully at persons with snarls of disapproval and sundry snaps which were too suggestive of hydrophobia to be pleasant.

They found the object of their visit to that uninviting neighbourhood lying against his door and conversing with a tardy little gentleman who was talking confidentially and gesticulating with his fan. As they approached, he smilingly skipped away and Mr. Hung Hui came forward smiling and bowing, and with great show of cordiality ushered them into his domicile, which was not much better than his domestic A conglomerate of nauseating odours, chiefly consisting of stale opium and joss-stick fumes, met them as they passed through the dark passage and entered a poorly-furnished room, the chief article of which was a raised dais covered with red cloth, greasy from age and wear, and provided with two embroidered bolsters very much tarnished, a couple of small lamps, two trays, and a bamboo opium pipe. This was where the host invited his particular friends to recline with him and imbibe the tranquillizing drug. Standing upon the window-sill, in striking contrast with the dingy surroundings, was a large glazed bowl partly filled with pebbles from among which grew a beautiful Narcissus plant in full bloom. This was much prized by the owner and had been tendered carefully and superstitiously by him; for the Chinese universally believe that if the flower opens during the New Year it is predictive of good luck, and they watch and cultivate it with an affectionate simplicity which is quite charming. Hung Hui's childlike fondness for this flower was one of his few redeeming points, for he was anything but a moral man. Indeed I should not have presumed to introduce such an obscure and disreputable individual to the reader by recording Hung Fong's visit to him, were not his intrigues destined to bring him conspicuously into the foreground; and as such is the end I may as well briefly describe his personal appearance. He was of medium height and about fifty years of age, with a thin but wiry form, for he had been a strong, stalwart man in his earlier days, and what he now lacked in physical strength was more than counterbalanced by the growing activity of his mind, which was plainly manifested by his nervous manner and the restlessness of his bright piercing eyes. In many respects he was a dangerous character, and it was rumoured abroad that he was the head-man of one of those thieves' guilds which are common in every town and city in China.

It is hardly necessary to say that Hung Fong's visit to this scruffy relative was of a purely charitable nature and of short duration; and it was with a sense and sigh of relief that he and his son left the house and once more breathed an atmosphere which though far from pure—was infinitely preferable to the fulsome one just endured. On emerging into one of the main thoroughfares, Hung Fong expressed his intention of next visiting the Taoist, whereupon Cheng begged to be excused accompanying him there as he was desirous of paying his respects to his venerable tutor. As this request was amiably complied with they parted, and so for the present we will follow the movements of the father, leaving the son to pursue an opposite course.

CHAPTER II.—"THE MOUTH OF A BUDDHA, AND THE HEART OF A SNAKE!"

As I explained previously, the Taoist's Yamen was situated in the centre of the city, and near the market-place, and like most other official residences in China, was fronted by a large open quadrangle. On either side of this stood a lofty flag-staff, near the top of which was a square wooden structure like a trough, from which protruded a ragged array of sticks and twigs forming the nests of several families of crows that kept the neighbourhood alive by their incessant wrangling and cawing. As Hung Fong passed one of the flagstaves, from the top of which fluttered an oblong-shaped white flag, ornamented with large black characters, these birds commenced making such an ominous noise that he involuntarily paused at the foot of the broad flight of granite-steps leading to the gateway, and seemed half inclined to turn back and postpone the visit. But sharp eyes were already upon him, for a number of soldiers, runners and other retainers were looting about the terrace above; so, not wishing to attract undue attention or arouse suspicion, he ascended the steps—though not without superstitious forebodings of coming evil—and approached the

entrance. On either side the outer walls were covered with notices and hung with red boards containing the titles held and degrees taken by the Taoist's residing there; while the immense folding-doors, which now stood open, were gaily embellished with coloured pictures representing fierce-looking gnomes trampling upon white clouds and myriads of boats of equally ferocious aspect. As he was about to enter the building, one of the runners—a cadaverous-looking, insolent fellow of Tartar extraction—swaggered forward and, demanding his business, informed him that he did not think His Excellency Shun Ming would be able to grant him an interview. Being well versed in the cunning artifices of these *ex-officio* posts, Hung Fong assumed a deferential air and respectfully received with a deprecative grant of toleration, and the knave hurried away to communicate with a confederate who acted in the capacity of gate-keeper, but who was now absent from his post engaged in a game of dominoes in one of the side offices from whence proceeded unmistakable sounds of revelry. The gate-keeper soon emerged from a side door and pausing near the inner gate, beckoned Hung Fong forward, at the same time surveying him with critical severity. This minion of the Yamen also assumed an air of grave responsibility calculated to impress the intruder with his importance and the advisability of omitting his assistance and, with a view to obtaining a considerable "squeeze," he likewise began interrogating at length. But a further expenditure of breath was saved by a still more liberal gratuity, and he allowed the polite civilian to pass the first barrier, and he forthwith fled, for in China the nearer you approach the sacred precincts of a Yamen the more heavily your purse is likely to suffer, particularly during such a festive season as the New Year, when all the tag-rag and bobtail of Officialdom are at leisure and on the alert for any pickings that may come in their way; and civilians are regarded as legitimate prey by all who command the obsequy of Government servants, from the Viceroy down to the lowest Yamen runner.

Hung Fong now entered a courtyard paved with red tiles and flanked by a number of small rooms used by clerks and other functionaries, several of whom were sitting upon a marble seat beneath the ample foliage of a species of chestnut tree, which stood on the right-hand side of the central walk that was composed of tessellated pavement. They did not molest the visitor, who walked forward towards the flight of granite steps extending transversely across the front of a second building which was profusely decorated with stucco-work paintings. He had not proceeded far, however, when he noticed two more cheerful-looking personages advancing to meet him.

"Sampled by wolves, for the lion to devour!"

—a past on the roguery! he murmured softly fabricating a pleasant smile and again resorting to the infallible and no less forcible *passé porteur* by producing his pocket watch and displaying the bright of granite steps extending transversely across the front of a second building which was profusely decorated with stucco-work paintings. He had not proceeded far, however, when he noticed two more cheerful-looking personages advancing to meet him.

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